

## SCHEME TO KILL ALLENBY FOMENTED BY NATIONALISTS

### PLAN TO BRING 3,000 FAMILIES OUT TO CANADA

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Been Completed for Immigrants  
From Britain

### WILL BE PLACED ON WESTERN FARM LAND

Complete Farms Will Be Sold  
to Them and Money Loaned  
for 25 Years

(Special Cable to The Bulletin)

EDMONTON, Nov. 26.—Final arrangements have been completed between the Imperial Government and the Canadian government for the emigration of 3,000 families from the United Kingdom to the Dominion, commencing next spring.

Due to the satisfactory manner in which the negotiations have been placed in Alberta, at least one thousand families will be settled in the provinces to be settled on farms in the central and northern portions. Details of the scheme call for a sum of \$60 thousand sterling for the purchase of land and equipment, and therefore the Alberta settlers will bring approximately \$10 thousand into the province.

Provide Farms

Under the arrangement entered into between the two governments the Dominion will provide farms in the central and northern portions within reasonable distance of a railhead, and a sufficient part of each family's farm will be fit for immediate cultivation. The proved farms will be reserved for those who have had no farm experience. The loan to the settlers will be made at the discretion of the government, and the amount of the loan, the interest, the term of the loan, and the amount of the annual payment will be agreed upon by the two governments.

All land, livestock, equipment, etc., will be provided by the government, the average cost per acre being \$10. The average cost of the farm and its livestock will be about \$1,000. It is estimated that those who are unable to do so will receive a loan of such amount as that the total amount of the loan and the loans will be repayable over a period of 25 years, with interest at 5 per cent per annum.

The annual payment on a loan of \$1,000 will not be more than \$25 a year, the first instalment to be repaid on the 25th anniversary of the loan after the settler's arrival in Canada.

Secure Training

Full confidence

will be given to the settlers by the government, and the delegates, some two hundred in number, on behalf of the city of Calgary, the provincial government, and the municipalities, held recently at Edmonton, in relation to the various municipal districts, this resolution. He stated that he believed both rural and town municipalities were in agreement that co-operation would prove profitable.

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## ALL SERENE AGAIN

Sir Arthur Meighen has no intention of getting into politics, and that he did not mean that 100,000 men were sent to France who should not have been sent. That settles it. The General knows what his intentions are and were, and his statement must be taken without mental reservation. Mr. Meighen may breathe easy, for the avowedly pro-national head-quarters get ready to do the explaining.

What is plain is that the "whisper of death" crept out of the house that he had found in Sir Arthur the man to succeed Mr. Meighen, leader of the Opposition, and that he is the most of the apparent opportunity to assassinate the present leader and install his supposed rival. If he can spare time from issuing assurances of the solidarity of the party and the loyalty of himself and his associates to Mr. Meighen, the Hon. Robert Rogers might favor the rank and file with his version of the coup that failed.

## STILL TROUBLED.

The Soviet is said to be getting anxious because Russia now exports only one-fifth the coal that it did when the Czarist regime gave the ruling and the hated capitalist system was in vogue.

But why should a communist Government worry about that? The Russian farmer is supposed to produce "for use not for profit." Of course, being neither an angel nor a diabolical, he would like to have the best kept secret in the world, and the only way to do that is to what it should be.

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It has been angling for foreign loans and foreign credit and foreign trading treaties, all with a sublime disregard for the creed that a communistic state is a world within itself and can live and thrive in complete isolation from the rest of the world. And for the same reason it is troubled about the shortage in the wheat crop. The Russian farmers won't produce wheat to hand over to the Commissars. But perhaps if they produced wheat to sell abroad the Soviet could boast the taxes on them, and thus achieve the confiscation of the people's means.

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**HAS COUNTRY "BELTED" HIGH TARIFF?**

Resigning their seats in order to show how unrepresentative the Government is going to be, the electors will not be a majority of centrally-located and members of Parliament for a while. Two of them have within the last two months taken way of demonstrating that the Ministry has lost public confidence. Both are now on the retired list, and their former seats are occupied by supporters of the Government.

St. Antoine and West Hastings were both counted safe Opposition ridings, and battle-fields where the Government could be challenged with little risk. Both were traditionally Conservative. St. Antoine was a constituency which had been won by the Conservatives, and was returned by the Robt. budget. West Hastings was a constituency where, if anywhere, the Conservative nominee and former member might be expected to be returned with a sweeping majority.

The Robt. budget was the issue in St. Antoine. That was admitted, and the electors to the amazement of the Opposition and perhaps also the surprise of the Government, voted for the budget. Mr. Porter's charges over Hon. James MacLennan were in the West Hastings. That also was admitted, and the result was apparent. And the voters by their ballots repudiated the changes condemned their former member, and exonerated the Minister.

The country will suffer little if that is the last of these exhibitions of political "heroism." Unhappily, the last time that by resigning his seat and challenging an appeal to the electorate a member may arouse public interest to a condition of gross Governmental incompetence or dishonesty. But that is a doubtful expedient at all times, and to resort to it except in most unusual circumstances is only a bit of party stage play at the expense of the country, and sometimes also at the expense of the member and the party concerned.

The effect of these two by-elections is to enhance the prestige of the Government, to a degree that is more important than securing the two additional supporters in Parliament. That is now a question of whether the Government has retained public confidence. The question is whether—and only—Conservative members of Parliament represent a traditionally Conservative constituency. They are entitled to claim that they represent the present thought of the electors who voted for them three years ago.

Quite obviously the Robt. budget based upon the principle of reducing taxation as a means of encouraging production, has created a very decided and very favorable impression upon the public mind. In one avowedly protectionist constituency it has been endorsed by the electors. If it did not secure direct approval, it certainly did nothing to prevent the election of a Government supporting it.

An inference suggested by these contests is that the country may have "bolted" the protectionist policy, to a degree not suspected by either the Government or the Opposition. If the high tariff only applies to Alberta, and could not be applied to the Prairie West Hastings, that is to say to those who are standing pat on the principle of protection? That is the question Mr. Meighen now has to ask himself, for the results of these two test cases put it up to him to do the guessing.

## MAKING PROGRESS.

The reports made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commissioners at the taxpayers' meeting are of a kind to give encouragement. They do not reflect a flourishing condition in the civic finances. But they do show that some measure of betterment is coming about, and that with reasonable caution the process can be continued.

By turning over the official amusement department to the Exhibition Association a saving of seven thousand dollars per year is said to have been effected. It is expected that thirteen thousand dollars per year can be saved by putting the children in charge of the Salvation Army. These are the only economies. But there seems to show how fast rates can be cut down if kept down. There is apparently no difficulty in effecting a saving large enough in one department to materially reduce the burdens upon the taxpayers. That will have to be done by going over the list and eliminating the outlay in amounts commensurate with the saving.

Very properly, attention was called to the danger of continuing to side-step the obligation to meet the sinking fund requirements year by year. It may not have been possible in the strenuous years in which the city has passed to turn over to the fund the amount due each year. Instead, the money has been used for other purposes, and is represented by short term notes. It is desirable that these should be redeemed or funded as early as possible, and that in that way the fund will keep up to what it should be.

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## CURRENT COMMENT

## TRUSTING IN FALSEHOOD

Los Angeles Courier-Journal.

**WOULD MAKE IT GENERAL**

A suggestion emanates from Vancouver that the man who made a part of all sentences given convicted dope peddlars. Why single out one class of convicts for such a punishment? It is a vicious practice which should be discontinued.

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